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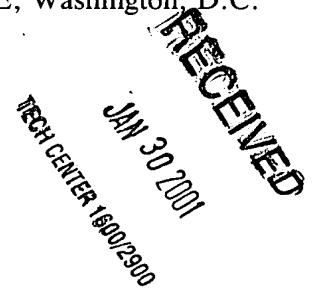
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Application No.: 08/858,087)

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For: MICROFLUIDIC SYSTEM AND)
METHODS OF USE)

Group Art Unit: 1641

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The following extension of time is requested to an Office Action mailed November 24, 2000,
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three months to January 24, 2001 ; the extension fee is:

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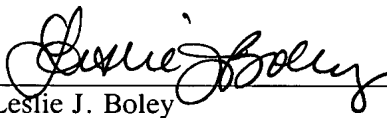
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